

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

Fabio B. Bertoni Hughes Hubbard & Reed One Battery Park Plaza New York, New York 10004 NOV 2 1 2005

RE:

MUR 5657

Douglas Lake

Dear Mr. Bertoni:

On November 10, 2005, the Federal Election Commission found that there is probable cause to believe your client, Douglas Lake, violated 2 U.S.C. § 441b(a) and 11 C.F.R. § 114.2(f), provisions of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended, in connection with Mr. Lake's consent to the facilitation of corporate contributions by Westar Energy, Inc.

If you have any questions or suggestions.

please contact Elena Paoli, the attorney assigned to this matter, at (202)

694-1548.

Sincerely,

Lawrence H. Norton
General Counsel